

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
WESTERN DIVISION

BERNARD FIDEL, et al., On Behalf of)	Lead Case No. C-1-00-320
Themselves and All Others Similarly Situated,)	(Consolidated with No. C-1-00-349)
)	
Plaintiffs,)	Judge Herman J. Weber
)	
vs.)	
)	
AK STEEL HOLDING CORPORATION, et)	
al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
)	
_____)	

SUMMARY NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

EXHIBIT A-3

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TO: ALL PERSONS WHO PURCHASED OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRED THE COMMON STOCK OF AK STEEL HOLDING CORP. ("AK STEEL") DURING THE PERIOD FROM JULY 15, 1999 THROUGH JANUARY 25, 2000 (INCLUDING ALL PERSONS WHO HELD ARMCO, INC. SHARES AS OF AUGUST 25, 1999 AND WERE THEREBY ENTITLED TO VOTE TO APPROVE THE MERGER WITH AK STEEL)

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, pursuant to an Order of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Western Division, that a hearing will be held on _____, 2004, at _____.m., before the Honorable Herman J. Weber, Senior United States District Judge, at the Potter Stewart U.S. Courthouse, 100 East Fifth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, for the purpose of determining: (1) whether the proposed settlement of the claims in the Litigation for the sum of \$4,000,000 in cash, plus accrued interest, should be approved by the Court as fair, just, reasonable and adequate; (2) whether, thereafter, this Litigation should be dismissed with prejudice as set forth in the Stipulation of Settlement dated as of March 26, 2004; (3) whether the Plan of Allocation is fair, reasonable and adequate and therefore should be approved; and (4) whether the application of Lead Counsel for the payment of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs and expenses incurred in connection with this Litigation should be approved.

If you purchased or otherwise acquired the common stock of AK Steel during the period beginning July 15, 1999 through and including January 25, 2000 or held Armco shares as of August 25, 1999 and were entitled to vote to approve the merger with AK Steel, your rights may be affected by the settlement of this Litigation. If you have not received a detailed Notice of Pendency and Proposed Settlement of Class Action and a copy of the Proof of Claim and Release form, you may obtain copies by writing to *AK Steel Securities Litigation*, c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC, P.O. Box 8040, San Rafael, CA 94912-8040. If you are a Class Member, in order to share in the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund, you must submit a Proof of Claim and Release no later than _____, 2004, establishing that you are entitled to recovery. You will be bound by any judgment rendered in the Litigation whether or not you make a claim.

All Members of the Class who do not request exclusion from the Class by _____,
2004 will be bound by any judgment entered in the Litigation pursuant to the Stipulation.

Any objection to the settlement must be mailed or delivered such that it is received no later
than _____, 2004 by:

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**PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT, THE CLERK'S OFFICE, AK STEEL
OR ANY DEFENDANT REGARDING THIS NOTICE.**

DATED: _____, 2004

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
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